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To the NHTSA:

As a motorcyclist fortunate to live in the state of Wisconsin, I would like to voice my opinion on the proposal to conduct interview research on motorcycle safety.

I believe a study of this type is a waste of taxpayer funds that could be better used for rider safety courses and education of automobile drivers with regard to sharing our roads with motorcycles safely. Motorcyclists pay our share of tax dollars, and this type of education is needed now more than ever.

The state of Wisconsin has protected my right to choose to ride with or without a helmet. I accept that there is a level of risk in everything I do and when I ride I accept those risks and try to minimize those risks by riding sober, educated and alert.

Thank you for allowing me to share my opinion on this matter.

Sincerely, Shari Hartmann N99 W16553 Rustic Lane Germantown, WI 53022